

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC is hereby given that the following popular name and ballot title for a proposed constitutional amendment has been certified by the Arkansas Attorney General. Pursuant to Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 7, any party may contest the popular name and ballot title as an original action with the Arkansas Supreme Court after the Secretary of State has verified the petition as having the sufficient number of qualified electors' signatures to have the measure placed on the ballot at the next general election.

Notice of Certification of Sufficiency

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 7-9-107

On October 19, 2005, this office received Opinion No. 2005-239 from the Attorney General for the State of Arkansas whereby he approved and certified a Popular Name and Ballot Title. Pursuant to A.C.A. § 7-9-107 the Secretary of State shall also approve and certify the proposed Popular Name and Ballot Title as certified by the Attorney General.

Therefore, I, Charlie Daniels, Secretary of State, State of Arkansas, do hereby approve and certify the sufficiency of the following:

POPULAR NAME

THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LOTTERIES AND WAGERING AMENDMENT

BALLOT TITLE

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CREATING THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LOTTERIES AND WAGERING AND INVESTING IT WITH POWER TO LICENSE AND REGULATE CHARITABLE BINGO, CONDUCT AND REGULATE WAGERING GAMES, AND REQUIRING IT TO OPERATE AND REGULATE ONE OR MORE STATEWIDE LOTTERY GAMES; DEPRIVING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ANY POWER TO REGULATE OR REVIEW THE COMMISSION; RENDERING INAPPLICABLE TO THE COMMISSION ANY STATE LAW REGULATING A STATE AGENCY; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR OF FOUR (4) INITIAL COMMISSIONERS, ONE FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, AND THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE ADDITIONAL INITIAL COMMISSIONER, WHO SHALL BE MR. CHARLES ORMOND OF MORRILTON, ARKANSAS, WHO SHALL SERVE AS DIRECTOR; AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO ARRANGE STAGGERED TERMS OF TWO, FOUR, SIX AND EIGHT YEARS FOR THE FOUR INITIAL COMMISSIONERS AND SETTING THE TERM OF MR. CHARLES ORMOND FROM JANUARY 1, 2007 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2016; PROVIDING, UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE INITIAL COMMISSIONERS' TERMS, FOR THE STAGGERED POPULAR, NONPARTISAN, PLURALITY ELECTION OF FOUR FUTURE COMMISSIONERS ONE FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

FOR ONE EIGHT YEAR TERM EACH, AND THE APPOINTMENT, BY THE FOUR ELECTED COMMISSIONERS, OF A FIFTH COMMISSIONER TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR TO VOTE IN CASE OF A TIE AND LIMITING HIS SERVICE TO NO MORE THAN TEN YEARS; SETTING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF COMMISSIONERS AND PROVIDING FOR THE FILLING OF TEMPORARY VACANCIES BY THE REMAINING COMMISSION MEMBERS; AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONERS TO SET THEIR OWN REASONABLE SALARIES AND THE SALARY OF THE DIRECTOR AND OTHER EMPLOYEES; AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO LICENSE AND REGULATE CHARITABLE BINGO BY CERTAIN NONPROFIT ENTITIES WITH NET RECEIPTS USED ONLY FOR CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS AND PHILANTHROPIC PURPOSES AND REQUIRING IT TO OPERATE AND REGULATE ONE OR MORE STATEWIDE LOTTERY GAMES, AS DEFINED, THROUGH CONTRACTUALLY-AUTHORIZED LOTTERY GAME RETAILERS; AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO CONDUCT AND REGULATE WAGERING GAMES, AS DEFINED, IN FACILITIES OWNED BY THE COMMISSION AND OPERATED BY THE COMMISSION OR THROUGH CONTRACTS WITH ONE OR MORE PERSONS; AUTHORIZING LODGING, RECREATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH WAGERING FACILITIES AND AUTHORIZING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT ANY TIME IN WAGERING FACILITIES; REQUIRING THE COMMISSION TO COMPLY WITH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LAWS NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE AMENDMENT; RESTRICTING THE CONDUCTING OF WAGERING GAMES TO COUNTIES WHERE THE VOTERS HAVE APPROVED SUCH GAMES, EXCEPT THAT THE COMMISSION MAY AGREE TO LICENSE ANY THOROUGHBRED OR GREYHOUND RACING TRACK OWNER TO CONDUCT WAGERING GAMES WITHOUT LOCAL VOTER APPROVAL; AUTHORIZING SIMULCASTING OF RACES HELD AT THE TRACKS AT WAGERING FACILITIES OF THE COMMISSION OR ITS CONTRACTORS; DENYING THE COMMISSION THE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE PARIMUTUEL WAGERING AT THE TRACKS; PROVIDING THAT DISAPPROVAL OF WAGERING GAMES BY COUNTY VOTERS WILL NOT AFFECT PARIMUTUEL WAGERING BY HORSE RACING OR GREYHOUND TRACKS OR WAGERING AUTHORIZED BY OTHER LAW; REQUIRING THE COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH "WAGERING DISTRICTS" WHEN ONE OR MORE COUNTIES APPROVE WAGERING GAMES; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT, BY THE COMMISSION, OF "WAGERING DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES" FOR EACH WAGERING DISTRICT; AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO: 1) BORROW MONEY AND ISSUE NEGOTIABLE EVIDENCES OF DEBT, BUT PROVIDING THAT THE STATE, COMMISSIONERS AND ITS EMPLOYEES SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR SUCH DEBTS; 2) PLEDGE ITS REVENUES AND MORTGAGE ITS PROPERTY; 3) ACQUIRE PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN IN THE SAME MANNER AS EXERCISED BY THE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION; AND 4) RECEIVE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY LAW; REQUIRING INCOME

RECEIVED FROM LICENSURE OF CHARITABLE BINGO TO BE USED SOLELY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THAT PROGRAM; REQUIRING RETENTION OF NET LOTTERY PROCEEDS BY THE COMMISSION TO SUPPORT ITS FUNCTIONS; REQUIRING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NET WAGERING PROCEEDS IN A WAGERING DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS: 1) FOURTEEN PERCENT (14%) TO THE COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE WAGERING DISTRICT AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION AFTER CONSIDERING THE PROPORTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES DISTRIBUTED BY EACH COUNTY TO THE TAXING ENTITIES DURING THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR; 2) SIX PERCENT (6%) FOR REBATES TO REAL PROPERTY OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES PAID IN THE DISTRICT AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION; 3) TEN PERCENT (10%) TO A TRUST FUND TO REIMBURSE RESIDENTS OF THE DISTRICT FOR A PORTION OF THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION; AND 4) SEVENTY PERCENT (70%) RETAINED BY THE COMMISSION FOR OPERATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGES DISTRIBUTED TO TAXING UNITS AND FOR TAX REBATES AND TO THEREBY REDUCE THE AMOUNT RETAINED BY THE COMMISSION; AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO REMIT SURPLUS FUNDS TO THE STATE APPORTIONMENT FUND IN THE STATE TREASURY; PROVIDING THAT COMMISSION EXPENDITURES SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; LEGALIZING SHIPMENTS OF GAMBLING DEVICES INTO ARKANSAS FOR PURPOSES OF FEDERAL LAW; DENYING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER THE COMMISSION OR ITS ACTIVITIES EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE STATED; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION ART. 19, SECTION 14 TO OBVIATE THE EXISTING PROHIBITION AGAINST LOTTERIES WHERE SUCH LOTTERIES ARE AUTHORIZED ELSEWHERE IN THE CONSTITUTION; MAKING THE AMENDMENT SEVERABLE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2007 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

AMENDMENT

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Definitions.

As used in this amendment:

(1) "Ancillary operations" means any of the following operated in conjunction with a facility for wagering games:

- (A) Lodging accommodations;
- (B) Restaurants;

(C) Tennis courts, golf courses, or any other recreational facilities; or

(D) Convention centers or entertainment facilities;

(2)(A) "Bingo" means a single game of the activity commonly known as "bingo" in which the participants pay a sum of money for the use of one (1) or more bingo cards.

(B) "Bingo" only includes a game in which the winner receives a preannounced, fixed dollar prize and in which the winner is determined by the matching of letters and numbers on a bingo card imprinted with at least twenty-four (24) numbers, with letters and numbers appearing on objects randomly drawn and announced by a caller, in contemporaneous competition among all players in the game;

(3) "Charitable bingo" means the game of bingo that:

(A) Is operated by a nonprofit, tax-exempt religious, educational, veterans', fraternal, service, civic, medical, volunteer rescue service, volunteer firefighters', or volunteer police organization that has been in continuing existence as a nonprofit tax-exempt organization in this state for a period of not less than five (5) years immediately prior to conducting the game of bingo; and

(B) Meets the following restrictions on the use of the receipts from the conduct of bingo:

(i) All net receipts over and above the actual cost of conducting charitable bingo must be used only for charitable, religious, or philanthropic purposes; and

(ii) No receipts shall be used to compensate in any manner any person who works for or is in any way affiliated with the authorized organization;

(4) "Lottery game" means any procedure authorized by written rule of the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering whereby prizes are distributed among persons who have paid, or have unconditionally agreed to pay, for tickets or shares that provide the opportunity to win the prizes;

(5) "Lottery game retailer" means any person with whom the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering has contracted to sell tickets or shares in lottery games to the public; and

(6) "Wagering games" means games in which participants risk any property for gain contingent in whole or in part upon lot, chance, the operation of a gaming device, or the happening or outcome of an event over which the person taking a risk has no control and includes electronic games of skill.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering.

(a) There is established the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering which is vested with all powers necessary to operate and regulate charitable bingo, lottery games, and wagering games.

(b) The General Assembly shall have no power to regulate or review the commission.

(c) Except as specifically provided in this amendment, the commission shall not be subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, Arkansas Code § 25-19-101 et seq., the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act, Arkansas Code § 25-15-201 et seq., or any other state law regulating a

state agency.

(d) The State of Arkansas and the commissioners and employees of the commission shall not be liable for the debts or liabilities of the commission.

SECTION 3. Commissioners and director -- Temporary provisions.

(a)(1)(A) Four (4) initial commissioners of the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering shall be appointed by the Governor.

(B) The Governor shall appoint one (1) commissioner from each congressional district.

(C) At the time of appointment, each initial commissioner shall be:

(i) At least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(ii) A resident for at least one (1) year of the congressional district from which he or she is to be selected.

(2) The Governor shall arrange the terms of the appointment so that:

(A) The term of one (1) commissioner expires on December 31, 2009;

(B) The term of one (1) commissioner expires on December 31, 2011;

(C) The term of one (1) commissioner expires on December 31, 2013; and

(D) The term of one (1) commissioner expires on December 31, 2015.

(b)(1) One (1) initial commissioner who shall serve as director of the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering shall be Mr. Charles Ormond of Morrilton, Arkansas. Mr. Ormond shall serve as director from January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2016.

(2)(A) If Charles Ormond is unable or unwilling to serve as director, the four (4) commissioners shall elect by majority another director who shall serve at the pleasure of the commission for a term that expires on December 31, 2016.

(B) The director selected under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and a resident of Arkansas for at least one (1) year.

(C) If a director selected under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section is unable or unwilling to serve, the four (4) commissioners shall elect by majority another director who meets the qualifications of subdivision (b)(2)(B) of this section.

(c) Upon the expiration of the term of an initial commissioner appointed by the Governor under this section, a replacement commissioner shall be elected under the provisions of Section 4.

(d) If an initial commissioner appointed by the Governor under this Section 3 is unwilling or unable to serve, the Governor shall appoint a replacement initial commissioner who meets the qualifications of subdivision (a)(1)(C) of this section and who shall serve for the remainder of the initial term.

SECTION 4. Commissioners -- Qualifications and election.

(a)(1) Upon the expiration of the term of one (1) or more initial commissioners appointed by the Governor under Section 3, the commissioners of the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and

Wagering shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis by a plurality of qualified electors of each congressional district.

(2) One (1) commissioner shall be elected from each of the congressional districts of the state.

(b)(1) A candidate for the elected office of commissioner shall:

(A) Pay a filing fee to the Secretary of State within the filing period. The amount of the fee shall be established by State Board of Election Commissioners; or

(B)(i) File within the filing period a petition without paying a filing fee. The petition shall comply with the procedural requirements for alternative ballot access applicable to candidates for the office of Justice of the Supreme Court as provided by law.

(ii) The petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

(2) The filing period shall be the same as the filing period for candidates for a nonpartisan judicial office.

(c) At the time of filing as a candidate for commissioner, each candidate for commissioner shall be:

(1) At least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(2) A resident for at least one (1) year of the congressional district from which he or she is to be elected.

(d) A candidate for the elected office of commissioner shall:

(1) File a political practices pledge in writing with the Secretary of State in compliance with state law regulating political practices pledges filed by candidates for county office; and

(2) Comply with the state campaign financing laws regulating candidates for public office.

(d) Each commissioner elected from a congressional district shall:

(1) Be elected at the regular biennial general election; and

(2) Serve for a term of eight (8) years. The term shall begin on January 1 following the general election.

(e)(1) After the expiration of the initial director's term on December 31, 2016, the commissioners elected from the congressional districts shall select by majority vote one (1) additional commissioner who shall serve as director of the commission.

(2) At the time of selection, the commissioner selected to serve as director shall be:

(A) At least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(B) A resident of Arkansas for at least one (1) year.

(3) The commissioner selected to serve as director shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioners elected by congressional district.

(4) The director may vote in case of a tie vote.

(f) No person shall serve as a commissioner for more than one (1) term, except that the commissioner selected to serve as director may serve as a commissioner for no more than (10) years.

(g)(1) In the event of a vacancy in an office of an elected commissioner, the remaining

commissioners shall select by majority vote a person who meets the qualifications of subdivision (c) of this section and who shall serve as commissioner until the next general election.

(2) In the event of a vacancy in the office of the commissioner selected to serve as director by the elected commissioners, the elected commissioners shall select by majority vote a person who meets the qualifications of subdivision (e)(2) of this section.

SECTION 5. Compensation and employees.

(a) The director of the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering and each commissioner may receive a reasonable salary as determined by the commission.

(b)(1)(A) The commission may employ such other persons as may be necessary and shall fix the reasonable salaries of each employee.

(B) Employees of the commission shall be treated as employees of the State of Arkansas with rights and benefits equivalent to employees of the General Assembly.

(2) However, a person shall not be eligible for employment by the commission if he or she is:

(A) A person who is related within the second degree by consanguinity or affinity to a person serving as a commissioner;

(B) A person who was once related within the second degree by affinity to a person serving as a commissioner; or

(C) A commissioner or a person who has served as a commissioner.

SECTION 6. Charitable bingo.

(a)(1) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering shall have authority to license and regulate the conduct of charitable bingo.

(2)(A) The commission may charge a reasonable licensure fee.

(B) The fee shall be used by the commission for the administration of this section.

(b) Licensed charitable bingo shall not be a lottery prohibited by this constitution.

SECTION 7. Statewide lottery games.

(a) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering shall operate and regulate one (1) or more statewide lottery games.

(b)(1) The commission may operate lottery games through lottery game retailers.

(2)(A) The commission may license lottery game retailers and may charge a reasonable license fee.

(B) The fee shall be used by the commission for the administration of this section.

SECTION 8. Wagering.

(a) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering may conduct and regulate wagering games in facilities owned and operated by the commission or may contract with one (1) or more persons to operate wagering games for the commission.

(b)(1) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, wagering games shall be conducted under subsection (a) of this section only in counties that have approved the conduct of wagering games under the authority of the commission as provided in this subsection (b).

(2)(A) The question of whether to approve the conduct of wagering games in a county may be referred to the people by an ordinance of the quorum court.

(B) The ordinance shall call a special election to be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than ninety (90) days after adoption of the ordinance.

(c)(1)(A) The commission may enter into an agreement with the owner of any thoroughbred racing track or greyhound racing track in the state to license the owner to conduct wagering games at the track in addition to the track's pari-mutuel wagering operations that are authorized by law.

(B) Approval of wagering games by the voters in a county is not required as a condition for conducting wagering games at a thoroughbred racing track or greyhound racing track that on December 31, 2006, is authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering.

(2) The commission may enter into agreements with the owner of any thoroughbred racing track or greyhound racing track in the state to simulcast races held at the track and to accept wagers at the facilities of the commission or the facilities of a person authorized by the commission to conduct wagering games.

(3) The commission shall not regulate pari-mutuel wagering at a thoroughbred racing track or greyhound racing track.

(d) Wagering games and wagering conducted under this section shall be regulated solely by the commission.

SECTION 9. Wagering districts.

(a)(1) If the voters in one (1) or more counties approve the conduct of wagering games and wagering games are actually conducted in one (1) or more of the approving counties, the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering shall establish one (1) or more wagering districts.

(2) A county that approves wagering games shall be included in a wagering district. The counties in the district do not have to be contiguous. A county that has not approved wagering games shall not be included in a wagering district.

(3) A facility for wagering games shall be located in at least one (1) county in each wagering district.

(4) The commission shall readjust the boundaries of wagering districts as the voters in additional counties approve the conduct of wagering games.

(b) For each wagering district the commission shall appoint a wagering district advisory committee. The numbers of members of the committee and the terms of the members shall be established by the commission. The members of the wagering district advisory committee shall reside

in the wagering district.

SECTION 10. Disapproval of wagering games by certain counties.

Disapproval of wagering games by the voters of a county shall have no effect on the conduct of:

- (1) Pari-mutuel wagering by horseracing tracks and greyhound racing tracks authorized by other law; or
- (2) Wagering games authorized by other law.

SECTION 11. Ancillary operations — promotions — alcoholic beverages.

(a) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering may conduct ancillary operations in conjunction with any facility in which wagering games are conducted.

(b) As a promotion, the commission may give away lodging, food, non-alcoholic or alcoholic beverages, or any other item of value.

(c) The commission may serve alcoholic beverages at any time in any facility in which wagering games are conducted.

(d) The commission shall comply with alcoholic beverage laws not in conflict with this section.

SECTION 12. Miscellaneous powers.

(a) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering may to:

(1)(A) Borrow money and issue negotiable evidences of debt.

(B) The commission may execute negotiable notes or bonds to obtain the funds needed to carry out its functions;

(2) Pledge its revenues including the income from operations, and it may mortgage its property to secure the payment of money borrowed; and

(3)(A) Acquire by purchase, gifts, eminent domain, or otherwise, all property necessary, useful, or convenient for the use of the commission in the exercise of any of its duties.

(B) If eminent domain is exercised, it shall be exercised in the same manner as provided for the exercise of eminent domain by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

(b) The Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering may receive funds appropriated by law.

SECTION 13. Use of income — surplus funds.

(a) Moneys received by the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering from the licensure of charitable bingo shall be used solely for the administration of the charitable bingo licensure program.

(b) The net proceeds from the conduct of a lotteries after the payment of administrative costs and lottery prizes shall be retained by the commission to support the functions of the commission.

(c)(1) The net proceeds derived by the commission in a wagering district from wagering

games, facilities for wagering games, and ancillary operations shall be distributed monthly as follows:

(A) Fourteen percent (14%) of the net proceeds shall be distributed to each county, municipality, and school district in the wagering district. The amount shall be distributed among the counties, municipalities, and school districts in the wagering district in amounts determined by the commission after considering the proportion of real property taxes distributed by each county to each of the taxing authorities within the county in the previous calendar year.

(B) Six percent (6%) of the net proceeds shall be used for rebates to real property owners of real property taxes paid in the district as determined by the commission.

(C)(i) Ten percent (10%) of the net proceeds shall be placed in a trust fund and used by the commission to reimburse residents of the wagering district for a portion of their health insurance premiums as determined by the commission.

(ii) An applicant for reimbursement shall provide verification of payment of the health insurance premium and provide such other information as the commission determines to be necessary to administer the reimbursement program.

(D) Seventy percent (70%) of the net proceeds shall be retained by the commission for operations.

(2) The General Assembly by law may increase the percentage of the net proceeds to be used under subdivisions (c)(1)(A) or (c)(1)(B) and make a corresponding reduction in the net proceeds to be retained by the commission under subdivision (c)(1)(D).

(d) If the commission determines that there are surplus funds not needed for its operations, the commission may remit all or a portion of the surplus to the Treasurer of State as general revenues to be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the State Apportionment Fund for subsequent appropriation by the General Assembly.

(e) Moneys received by the commission through its operations shall not be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

SECTION 14. Legalizes shipments of gambling devices into state.

All shipments of gambling devices, including slot machines, into any county of the state in which wagering games are authorized, the registering, recording, and labeling of which has been duly performed by the manufacturer or dealer of the device in accordance with sections 3 and 4 of the act of the Congress of the United States entitled "An act to prohibit transportation of gambling devices in interstate and foreign commerce," approved January 2, 1951, being c. 1194, 64 Stat. 1134, and also designated as 15 U.S.C. §§ 1171-1178, are legal shipments of the devices into any county of this state within which wagering games are authorized.

SECTION 15. No regulation by General Assembly

Except for the power to increase the percentage of net proceeds under Section 13, neither the General Assembly nor any political subdivision of the State of Arkansas shall regulate the Arkansas Commission on Lotteries and Wagering or its activities.

SECTION 16. Severability.

If any provision of the amendment or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of any other provision of this amendment or the application of the provision to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected. The provisions of this amendment are severable.

SECTION 17. Section 14 of Article 19 of the Arkansas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

§ 14. Lotteries ~~prohibited~~.

~~No~~ Except as authorized by this constitution, no lottery shall be authorized by this state, nor shall the sale of lottery tickets be allowed.

SECTION 18. This amendment shall become effective January 1, 2007.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Office of Secretary of State on this the 19th day of October, 2005.

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